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SUBJ: US PL-480 GRAIN SUPPLY

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1. WARMLY APPLAUD REFTEL PROPOSAL THAT MORE OF GRAIN AUTHORIZED FOR SAHEL RELIEF BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR SALE BY RECIPIENT COUNTRIES, WITH PROCEEDS OF SALE GOING FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND REHABIPITATION. SUCH FLEXIBILITY BETWEEN SALE AND GRATIS DISTRIBUTION WILL BE GREAT ASSIST HERE.

2. UP TO PRESENT, DIVISION BETWEEN SALE AND FREE DISTRIBUTION OF US SORGHUM PROVIDED APPER VOLTA HAS APPEARED BE ABOUT APPROPRIATE FOR NEEDS. HOWEVER, ADDITIODAL 10,000 TONS EARMARKED FOR UPPER VOLTA WILL ARRIVE AT TIME WHEN HIGHLY DESIRABLE HAVE OPTION TO
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SELL ANY PART OR ALL OF THIS AMOUNT. PRELIMINARY CONTACT WITH GOUV ON SPECIFIC PROPOSAL IN REFTEL INDICATES

STRONG INTEREST IN HAVING THIS OPTION.

3. BASED MN EXPERIENCE THAS FAR, WE ARE CONVINCED
GOUV HAS CAPABILITY MAKE EQUITABLE DIVISION BETWEEN
SALE AND GRATIS DISTRIBUTION AND ENSURE THAT SUFFICIENT
AMOUNT MADE AVAILABLE GRATIS TO NEEDY PEOPLE UNABLE TO
BUY. BELIEVE UPWARD ADJUSTMENT IN PRICE AT WHICH US
SORGHUM PRESENHLY SOLD IS DESIRABLE. UPWARD ADJUSTMENT
IN PRICE OF 21,060 TONS COVERED BY EXISTING TA'S APPEARS
UNLIKELY MEET WITH GOUV AGREEMENT. HOWEVER, BELIEVE THERE
IS POSSIBLITY GET SOME UPWARD ADJUSTMENT FOR RECENTLY
APPROVED ADDITIONAL 10,000 TONS IF WE CAN AT START OF
NEGOTIATIONS HOLD OUT FIRM POSSIBILITY SALE.

4. SALES OPTIONS FOR USG SORGHUM WILL FACILITATE
MANAGEMENT OTHER DONOR COMMODITIES. TERMS FOR SOME OF OTHER
DONOR AID YET TO BE RECEIVED (FED, FAC) APPEAR PROVIDE IN-
SUFFICIENT SALE PORTION. ABILITY SELL USG
SORGHUM WILL MAXIMIZE BENEFIT OF JOMBINED DONOR INPUT.

5. EMERGENCY SALES PROGRAM WILL DEFINITELY ALLOW
EASIER TRANSITION BACK TO GRAIN STABILIZATION PROGRAM.

6. PLEASE CONFIRM REFTEL IMPLICATION THAT SALES PROCEEDS
COULD BE USED FOR MEDIUM ANF LONG-TERM AS WELL AS SHORT TERM
RELIEF AND RECOVERY NEEDS. ANOTHER QUESTION LIKELY
ARISE HERE IS WHETHER THERE WILL BE LIMIT ON
PROPORTION WHICH MAY BE USED TO COVER INTERNAL
DISTRIBUTION COSTS ON THE 10,000 TONS.
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